Grand Arte Alicante Bouschet 2022



Region

The Vinho Regional Lisboa (previously known as Estremadura) extends north and west of Lisbon, following the rugged Atlantic coastline. It is Portugal`s third largest wine producing region in volume terms, but arguably the source of the country`s best value table wines. Most of the region enjoys a maritime climate that allows production of fresh whites and balanced red wines. The last ten years have seen a surge of ambitious small growers making far more interesting wines across a wide selection of grape varietals.

Producer

DFJ Vinhos is one of Portugal`s most innovative and highly awarded wine producers, winning best Portuguese producer in both the New York International Competition and Berliner Wine competition in 2018. They control estates in the Lisboa, Douro, Setubal, Alentejo and Tejo wine regions and work with 22 different grape varieties. The company is headed by Portugal's top winemaker, José Neiva, who has now been leading the way for over 40 years and, at the recent `Portuguese Wine Oscars`, he was made `Senhor do Vinho` - the highest accolade for an outstanding career.

Tasting Notes

Known for its fruity, vibrant red colour, Alicante Bouschet makes an intense and full-bodied wine. Using classic fermentation methods and pre fermentative skin contact, the wine is almost black in colour, with intense fruit aromas of matured blackberries and black pepper. The wine is full bodied, powerful, deep structured but smooth and velvety, helped by a 3-month ageing period in 225L French Oak barrels. The overall end product is elegant, shows complexity and has a long and intense finish.

Food

Serve as an aperitif, with tapas, or as an accompaniment to red meat, risotto, paella, spicy food and dry cheeses.

Technical Information

Country	Portugal
Region	Lisboa
Grape(s)	Alicante Bouschet (100%)
Type	Red
Style	Juicy
Oaked Style	Lightly oaked
Body Style	Full bodied
Sustainable	Yes-certified sustainable

Dry/Sweet Style	Not applicable	
Alcohol Content	13%	
Closure Style	Cork	
Organic/Biodynamic	No	
Allergens	**Milk:**	No
	Egg:	No
Vegetarian/Vegan	**Vegetarian:**	Yes
	Vegan:	Yes

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